

WORK SESSION OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF EXCELSIOR SPRINGS
EXCELSIOR SPRINGS, MISSOURI
AUGUST 15, 2011

The City Council of the City of Excelsior Springs, Missouri met in a Work Session on Monday, August 15, 2011 at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers of the Hall of Waters Building to discuss a segment of the proposed budget numbers for Fiscal Year 10-1-11 thru 9-30-12. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Pro-Tem Chad Taylor.

Roll Call of Members: Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Taylor, and
Council Members McElwee and Nelson.

Absent: Mayor Buckman and Councilwoman Shutte

Present Representing the City: David Haugland, City Manager
Steve Marriott, Director of Administrative Services
Kent Cantrell, Fire Chief
Katie Noyd, Parks & Recreation Director
Chad Birdsong, Director of Public Works
Larry Murry, Building Official
Lt. Clint Reno, Police Department

BUDGET DISCUSSION:

City Manager Haugland, Steve Marriott and Lt. Reno were on hand to answer questions from the Council regarding the proposed budgets for the following departments:

E-911 Phone Tax.
Equitable Sharing (Federal Forfeitures) Fund.
Capital Improvements E-911 Fund.
Vintage Plaza Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Fund.
Elms Hotel Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Fund
Capital Equipment Fund.

Lt. Reno stated their main concern with the E-911 Phone Tax Revenue is that so many homeowners have given up their land-based line and have only a cell phone. They have yet to figure out how to attach this Phone Tax to cell phones.

The Equitable Sharing (Federal Forfeitures) Fund gets its revenue from drug cases. The expenditures have to be for items purchased that have to do with police activity...911 related.

On the Capital Improvement E-911 Fund a ¼ cent goes to Capital Equipment with very little interest.

On the Vintage Plaza TIF, this is the old TIF amount. When the new TIF amount is set up it will be combined with this TIF account so there will only be one TIF amount.

On the Elms Hotel Tax Increment Financing (TIF), these amounts were projected by the new owners of the Elms (Widewaters) and Steve stated he thought the amounts were excessive.

The Capital Equipment Fund is a fund set up by a previous City Manager for purchases of capital equipment. There is nothing in the account now and Steve expects the account will

just go away.

Steve Marriott gave the Council a re-cap of the General Fund proposed budget. He found that the Fire Department Salaries had been miscalculated. He has also reduced expenses for the Finance Department. He will continue to whittle it down as much as possible before it is brought to the Council for approval. Right now, he projects at least \$14,000 over in the General Fund.

With no further business at hand, Mayor Pro-Tem Taylor adjourned the work session at 5:30 PM.

ATTEST:

CHAD TAYLOR, MAYOR PRO-TEM

FRANCES SMITH, CITY CLERK

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